

34. On October 3, 1996, KMEX will celebrate its 34th year as one of our Nation's premier Spanish-language television stations.

Founded on September 29, 1962, KMEX has been a pioneer in Los Angeles broadcasting history. The station was the first to change successfully from film to videotape, and use satellite transmission in the news market. KMEX also was the first station nationally to create a Spanish-language morning talk show. Now in its eighth year, the program is the only locally produced morning program in the Los Angeles market, in either English or Spanish. Today, KMEX remains one of the Southland's most innovative stations.

For the past three decades, KMEX-TV has served the Latino community with programs that inform Spanish-speaking viewers on local and world events. The station's programming is broad-based and family-oriented, and aims to educate and entertain. KMEX's news department has received many journalistic awards, including the prestigious Peabody Award. This year, "Noticias 34" received six Golden Mike Awards and is the national recipient of the Edward R. Murrow Award, proclaiming it "America's Best Newscast."

KMEX also maintains a record of public service to our community. Recently, the station joined forces with Cities In Schools, a national nonprofit organization aimed at reducing the high school drop out rate. By serving as mentors, KMEX volunteers give Latino students guidance and emphasize the importance of a high school and college education.

KMEX is also active with the Junior Achievement of Southern California Program. Together they established the Junior Achievement Hispanic Program with the goal of recruiting Latino volunteers from local businesses and communities into inner-city schools to provide guidance to students. Over the years, KMEX has also raised millions of dollars to assist the victims of such disasters as the earthquakes in Northridge, Mexico City, and El Salvador, as well as other international natural disasters.

KMEX has also been involved with numerous community organizations such as the American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, Puente Learning Center, MALDEF, CARECEN, Southwest Voter Registration and Education Project, NALEO, Hollenbeck Boys and Girls Club, LA Works, the Century Council, and numerous others.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Univision Television Group Inc., headed by chairman and chief executive officer A. Jerrold Perenchio, and executive vice president and chief financial officer George Blank. Under their leadership, Augustine Martinez, KMEX's general manager, and Tom Amost, station manager, have worked to establish KMEX's tradition of excellence in programming and commitment to community involvement. On October 3, 1996, they will join with their dedicated employees and volunteers to celebrate 34 years of innovative programming and service to our community.

TRIBUTE TO BETHESDA-CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School on the occasion of the school's 70th anniversary. B-CC is Montgomery County's oldest urban high school, and the school is marking this milestone anniversary this weekend with a community-wide celebration.

Under the leadership of principal Janice Mastow, vice-principals Richard Bishop and Jeani Haven, and a devoted staff, the school has been a leader in the Montgomery County tradition of providing a quality education to its students and dedicated service to the community. B-CC has just initiated Montgomery County's second international baccalaureate program, which will keep students well-prepared for the challenges of the 21st century. In its urban setting, the school is a vibrant cornerstone of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase business area.

The school's rich and enduring history began in 1926, with a class of 14 students. Over the past 70 years, the high school has produced many distinguished graduates: war heroes, county, State and federally-elected officials, Federal judges, and community leaders at every level. The festivities and the open house will focus on the diversity and achievements of B-CC's 25,000 alumni, its students, faculty, parents, and its programs. Some distinguished graduates who will participate in the celebration include Daniel Stern and Arch Campbell.

As a former teacher, I am delighted to recognize B-CC on the school's 70th anniversary. I pay tribute to the devoted faculty, supportive parents, outstanding students, and diverse alumni, and I wish them continued success.

TRIBUTE TO SAN DIEGO POSTAL EMPLOYEES

HON. RANDY "DUKE" CUNNINGHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the U.S. Postal Service employees of San Diego. An independent survey, conducted by Price Waterhouse and published in yesterday's papers, confirmed that 95 percent of all letters mailed to and from San Diego arrived on time. This 95-percent score places San Diego mail carriers second best in country.

The Postal Service employees of San Diego have a commitment to providing excellent service to the citizens of San Diego. This survey proves that they deliver. Every year, San Diego's Postal employees rank near the top of the national scores. Like the weather in San Diego, they are nearly perfect.

I would specifically like to commend San Diego District Manager Danny Jackson, the

Margaret L. Sellers Processing and Distribution Center Manager Dianna Hempen, and the San Diego Postmaster Glenn Crouch. Along with every Postal employee in San Diego, they have the right to be proud of their accomplishments. They have brought national recognition to San Diego and enhanced our reputation as America's finest city.

ONE-STOP-SHOPPING INFORMATION

HON. RICK LAZIO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 27, 1996

Mr. LAZIO of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce legislation to help the thousands of Americans battling life-threatening disease. My bill would enable these individuals to gain easy access to essential information on clinical trials, information that could potentially save lives. In my Long Island, NY, district, where breast cancer occurs at unusually high rates, access to potentially promising treatments that are otherwise unavailable is crucial. A one-stop-shopping information service would allow those suffering from terrible illnesses, such as breast cancer or Parkinson's disease, to learn more about these clinical trials by simply dialing a 1-800 number.

Since coming to Congress, I have been working with breast cancer activists in my district, trying to reduce the suffering breast cancer brings to women and their families. I have fought hard for research funding to bring us closer to finding a cause, or possibly a cure, for breast cancer. Through researchers have made great progress, the public's knowledge of their findings has been limited. Its time we make these new findings available to those who need the information most.

Earlier this year, physicians and breast cancer advocates came before Congress to bring to light the difficulty in obtaining information on clinical trials. I was then contacted by cancer activists from my district, who conveyed the need for a one-stop-shopping program for clinical trials.

Currently, information is available through the Cancer Information Service at the National Cancer Institute. While the service is helpful, it lists only publicly funded trials, leaving information on more than 300 private clinical trials untapped. Sadly, cancer patients are left without readily available information, presented in a clear, concise manner. It is evident that a better system is needed.

In 1988, Congress directed HHS to establish an AIDS Clinical Trial Information Service. By simply calling 1-800-TRIALS-A, patients can find out more about trials which are evaluating experimental drugs and innovative therapies. The one-stop-shopping service would provide those facing serious illness with the same option that is now available to AIDS patients.

One-stop-shopping information will bring patients one step closer to treatments that could change their lives. I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and to give those stricken by serious illness more than just hope for a cure.